

the said parties, or their counsel, or either of them, shall neglect or refuse to strike out from the said lists the number of persons hereby directed, it shall and may be lawful for the respective courts aforesaid to direct their clerks to strike out from the list of the party or parties so neglecting or refusing, the number of persons herein before mentioned, and the remaining twelve persons shall be empannelled, and sworn as aforesaid; provided nevertheless, that nothing herein contained shall be deemed or construed to take away the right of any person or persons to challenge the array or polls of any panel returned, in the manner always allowed by the laws of this state, or in any manner to affect or change any of the provisions contained in the act,* **Chap. 55.* entitled, a supplement to an act concerning petitions for freedom, passed at November session, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-three.

The act of 1793, ch. 55, was repealed by 1796, ch. 67, which contains a clause respecting jurors in the case of petitions, the same verbatim with that in the act of 1793.

By 1796, ch. 67, on the trial for petitions for freedom, either party may peremptorily challenge twelve jurors.

By 1798, ch. 94, talesmen may be summoned where there would not be twenty, and (by agreement,) the drawing of a panel of twenty jurors may be dispensed with.

CHAPTER 89.

AN ACT for the valuation of Real and Personal Property within this State.

The modifications of this act, by various local laws, have divested it of its general character. Laws of this character will be classed under 'Public Local Law.'

CHAPTER 90.

AN ACT for the more effectual collection of the county charges in the several counties of this State.

There are many local laws containing provisions inconsistent with this act, to be found under the subdivision of 'Public Local Law.'

Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That in all cases hereafter, where any lands in any county of this state may become charged for the payment of county taxes, and the collector of such county can find no personal property in the said county liable for, or chargeable with, the payment of the same, the said collector shall and he is hereby directed and required to return to the commissioners of the tax for the said county, at their annual or adjourned meeting or meetings, or at such other time or times as the commissioners, or a majority of them, shall require or direct, a list of such tract or tracts of land, lot or lots of land, and the amount of the taxes thereon respectively due, together with the name or names of the person or persons respectively chargeable with the payment of the same.

A list of certain lands to be returned, &c.